

**MINUTES
COMMITTEE OF HEARING AID DEALER EXAMINERS
OCTOBER 15, 2008**

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Payne called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. in Conference Center Room 9 located in the Indiana Government Center South, 402 West Washington Street, Indianapolis, Indiana, and established a quorum in accordance with IC § 25-29-2-5.

Members Present:

Robert H. Payne, H.A.D, Chairman
Martha A. Schmidt, H.A.D, Vice-Chair
Allen Reese, H.A.D.
Richard Miyamoto, M.D.
Anthony Gigli, Consumer Member

Staff Present:

Valerie L. Jones, Board Director
Nancy Harvey, Assistant Board Director
Donna Sembroski, Deputy Attorney General

II. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

A motion was made and seconded to adopt the agenda.

REESE/GIGLI
Motion carried 5-0-0

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM JULY 9, 2008

A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes, of the July 9, 2008 meeting of the Committee.

SCHMIDT/GIGLI
Motion carried 5-0-0

IV. PERSONAL APPEARANCES

A. Timothy W. Kruse, SHAD Renewal

Mr. Kruse appeared before the Committee to discuss the renewal of his student hearing aid dealer license.

Mr. Kruse informed the Board that he was studying and was injured and unable to complete the process. Mr. Kruse currently lives in Michigan and commutes to Ft. Wayne, Indiana everyday.

Mr. Kruse was requesting the renewal of his SHAD. He informed the Board that he has passed every part of the exam except instrumentation.

The committee expressed concerns about the number of sponsors and the amount of time Mr. Kruse has been a SHAD.

After review of the file and discussion, a motion was made and seconded to renew his SHAD.

SCHMIDT/ MIYAMOTO
Motion carried 4-1-0

Mr. Reese voted nay.

B. Lynn Marie Pupek, HAD Applicant

Ms. Pupek failed to appear before the Committee. Ms. Pupek's personal appearance was rescheduled for January 7, 2009.

C. Jonnie-Jean Engle, HAD

Ms. Engle appeared before the Committee with her sponsor, Martha Schmidt, to discuss the reasons that she has failed the written exam. Ms. Engle informed the Board that many of the questions on the exam were subjective and were not in the manual.

Ms. Schmidt informed the Committee that many of the questions came from dictionary of Audiology and expressed concerns about the subject matter tested.

A motion was made and seconded to allow Ms. Engle to re-take the written exam.

REESE/GIGLI
Motion carried 4-0-1

Ms. Schmidt abstained

D. Paul J. Lehmann, License #17001011A

Mr. Lehmann appeared before the Committee as required by his current Probation Order.

Mr. Lehmann stated that he was unable to obtain a letter from his probation officer due to his being unaware of the meeting date. The Board requested that Mr. Lehmann personally appear before the Committee at the January meeting with a letter from his probation officer dated no later than 12/31/08.

V. OLD/NEW BUSINESS

A. IHS Written Examination Discussion

The Committee discussed inviting Phyllis Wilson of the IHS for an executive session to review the subject matter of the exam and scoring system.

B. Practical Exams Endorsement Discussion

The Committee discussed whether they should waive the practical exam requirement when an applicant has taken a form of the practical exam in another state.

A motion was made and seconded to deny Mr. Stuck's request to receive endorsement as a result of the practical exam he took in Missouri.

MIYAMOTO /REESE
Motion carried 5-0-0

C. Board Elections

A motion was made and seconded to elect Robert H. Payne chairman of the committee.

REESE/ MIYAMOTO
Motion carried 5-0-0

A motion was made and seconded to elect Martha A. Schmidt vice-chairman of the committee.

REESE/SCHMIDT
Motion carried 0-0-0

D. Committee Meeting Dates

The Committee reviewed the meeting dates for 2009. There were no suggested changes to the current schedule.

A motion was made and seconded to hold the meetings at 9:00 a.m. and hold the practical exams immediately following the exams.

SCHMIDT/REESE
Motion carried 5-0-0

VI. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business and having completed its duties, the meeting of the Committee of Hearing Aid Dealer Examiners adjourned at 2:46 p.m.

Robert H. Payne, H.A.D.
Chairman, Committee of Hearing Aid Dealer Examiners

Date